

ished. A way will be found to solve the lesser problems also. We will be a temperate nation. We will have made such a study of the necessities of life that speculation in foodstuffs will forever cease. Our courts of justice will deal out the genuine article.

We need men and they are coming millions strong. We have reached the point where we no longer believe that we are too respectable to fight. American boys love to fight for a just cause. To fight now with all the vim and vigor of our young manhood will make us beloved of all the world. To fail in our duty at this time is to throw back the advance of civilization 2,000 years and will make us the laughing stock of the world. We would finally be exploited by some nation which would arise from this struggle as the world leader.

Don't bother about the volunteer or conscription systems. Get in now and fight. The leader must act now. Mothers, fathers, sisters and small brothers will be with you in anything you want. My boy, we often hear the remark, "I would rather be a live coward than a dead hero." That sort of thing may work in petty matters, but for a great and just cause everyone will say "no." And the tremendous enlistment that will follow the awakening will prove my statement by a million "no's."—All Together.

A LITTLE GIRL AND THE KAISER.—I am a little girl, 12 years of age. I attend public school. I am in the sixth grade. I think that the time of kings and kaisers is past, and, therefore, there is no need of any eulogy for crowned heads.

I consider this page of my speller unnecessary and superfluous and herewith I send you this last remnant of Caesarism in the hope that other little girls and boys of this great republic will follow my action. Thanking you in advance for the publication of this note, I remain, sincerely yours. — Mollie Rosenman, 1233 S. Kedzie Av.

Editor's Note.—The little girl sent in the page of the school speller devoted to a eulogy of the kaiser.

FREE THOUGHT.—A Forum writer argues that good people are wise on account of their goodness, thus confounding words having different meanings.

A person may be nearly ideal in goodness and morality and yet very deficient in knowledge, and vice-versa. A scriptural writer admits this when he writes "that the children of this world are wiser than the children of light." To determine the truthfulness of any given proposition by the moral standing of its advocates is fallacious. 5 plus 5 equals 10, not 11, and it matters not who asserts it, Byron or Beelzebub.

The personality of the asserter has nothing to do with the result. Religious people may or may not be more moral than the irreligious. If they are, that does not exempt them from proving their religious contentions. To argue that because religionists build and run more hospitals than irreligious, that there a whale was Jonah's landlord for three days, that Joshua stopped the sun and Jesus walked on water, would be too far-fetched. The propositions are not related or too remotely to be considered together.

Free thinkers like Girard and Cornell have built colleges. Like Burbank and Darwin have shown how to originate new species. Like Edison have originated mighty inventions. Like Paine, Franklin and Jefferson have done mighty works in establishing popular governments, but if any of these men should contend that 5 plus 5 equals 11 it would not be true.

Let us look a little closer at this hospital business. It is a business. They all charge all the business will stand, taking a few charity patients to establish a reputation. The religionists have the advantage. They get their help largely for board and